

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. David W. Victor on 22 February 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

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- a. Claim 1, line 11, delete the phrase ", wherein each of the communication, controller and component nodes"
 - b. Claim 1, line ³⁰29, insert after "the message to the destination node through the communication interface" --; and--
 - c. Claim 46, line 1, replace "method" with --system--
 - d. Replace claim 29 with the following:

29. An article of manufacture comprising at least one of a hardware device having hardware logic and a computer readable storage medium having computer executable code for allowing communication among processing nodes in a system in communication with a host system, wherein each node includes a communication interface enabling communication between the nodes, wherein each node is associated with one component of the system, wherein the nodes include a communication node executing a host communication object, a component node executing a motion object,